

**BOARD OF FINANCE
SALEM, CONNECTICUT
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 26, 2015**

PRESENT

TJ Butcher
George Householder
David Kennedy
Janet Griggs
Carol Eckart
Robert Sartori
Hernan Salas, Alt
Jenifer Lee, Alt

ABSENT

John Dolan, Alt

GUESTS

Gene Maiorano
Susan Spang
Bob Appleby

CALLED TO ORDER

TJ Butcher called the meeting to order 7:03 pm

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

None

SEAT ALTERNATE IF NEEDED

No alternate was required

COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

None

AGENDA,

1. APPROVE MEETING MINUTES MARCH 19, 2015 REGULAR MEETING

M/S/C-Griggs/Householder - to approve the March 19, 2015 meeting minutes as submitted

Vote: Approved Unanimously

2. ACT ON PROPOSED APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2015/2016

A. TABLED ITEMS

M/S/C- Eckart/Householder – to increase Dept. 91, line 1050, to \$85,000.00.

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Householder/Griggs to increase Dept. 94, line 042, to \$4,300.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C- Householder/Kennedy to increase Dept. 94, Line 049, to \$45,000.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Griggs/ Kennedy to decrease Dept. 94, Line 053 to \$30,000.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Householder/Sartori to decrease Dept. 94, Line 0533 to \$9,000.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Sartori/Griggs to decrease Dept. 95, Line 056, to \$15,000.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Householder/Eckart to decrease Dept. 95, Line 058, to \$5,000.00

Vote: Approved unanimously

B. FINALIZE BUDGET FOR PUBLIC HEARING

The Board reviewed the General Government Budget (See File Copy). Gene Maiorano spoke to the Board about reducing the Salem Volunteer Fire Co.'s budget by \$2,285.00. He stated that line item 218, Emergency Reporting System, is being put on hold for now.

M/S/C – Griggs/Sartori to decrease line 522-218 to \$3,636.00.

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Householder/Kennedy to present revised General Government Budget of \$3,621,087.00 at the town hearing on April 8, 2015.

Vote: Approved unanimously

The Board reviewed the Town Capital Budget (See File Copy). Butcher stated that line 22, PW Maintenance Excavator needs to be removed from the budget. Lyden stated that he received a quote from Dime bank for the purchase of the hydraulic rescue tools and exhaust system for the fire houses. He said the finance quote is for a five year note at 2.99% with a \$1,500.00 closing cost fee and payments would be \$51,000.00 for the first year followed by \$50,000.00 for the next four years. Householder questioned Spang why line 29 at a cost of

\$46,000.00. Spang stated that the cost is \$46,000.00 because it is a municipal well and will also be a public drinking water supply. Lyden and Spang stated that a facility that has a bathroom has to be a public water supply by law. Spang/Appleby said that the development of the property has been almost completely by donation.

M/S/C – Eckart/Griggs to combine line 8 and line 36 under line 8 as GLVFCO/SVFCO Hydraulic Rescue Tools/ Exhaust System with payment for first year being \$51,000.00 and \$50,000.00 for the next four funding years.

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Kennedy/Householder to decrease line 24 to \$31,500.00

Vote: Approved

Opposed: Eckart, Griggs

M/S/C – Kennedy/Griggs to decrease line 27 to \$100,000.00 to pave front/heavy traffic area only.

Vote: Approved Unanimously

M/S/F – Kennedy/Householder to hold off on line 35 till report from the Safety Review Committee is completed.

Vote: Opposed – Householder, Butcher, Sartori, Griggs, Eckart

In Favor – Kennedy

M/S/C – Householder/Sartori to present the revised Capital Plan Budget of \$1,245,429.00 at the public hearing meeting on April 8, 2015.

Vote: Approved unanimously

M/S/C – Householder/Kennedy to appoint Griggs as BOF liaison to secure school/video feed for public hearing on April 08, 2015 at 7:00pm.

Vote: Approved unanimously

Householder stated that he reviewed the BOE budget with Stephen Buck and suggested some possible changes that could reduce the BOE budget. Householder said the BOE might make some of those changes and will let the BOF know. The Board decided to make no changes on the BOE Budget until after the public hearing on April 8, 2015.

M/S/C- Householder/ Kennedy- to adjourn at 8:40pm.

Vote: Approved unanimously

Respectfully Submitted

Cindy Noe,

Recording Secretary